CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

ITEM # 08

SEPTEMBER 2003 AGENDA

SUBJECT	X	ACTION
Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program: Approve Commencement of the Rulemaking Process for Amendments to Title 5	X	INFORMATION
		PUBLIC HEARING

Recommendation:

Approve the proposed regulations, the Initial Statement of Reasons, and the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and direct staff to commence the rulemaking process.

Summary of Previous State Board of Education Discussion and Action

SBE has adopted regulations for the STAR program.

Summary of Key Issue(s)

The regulations are being amended to do the following:

- 1. Add requirements for the California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA)
- 2. Modify district and STAR test site coordinator responsibilities to include reporting testing irregularities to the California Department of Education
- 3. Incorporate some provisions from the test examiner STAR Security Affidavit into the STAR Test Security Agreement signed by district and test site coordinators
- 4. Modify the apportionment requirements to have superintendents certify the accuracy of an apportionment report prepared by the Department rather than requiring them to compile the data required for the report
- 5. Add specific requirements for handling the STAR Reports
- 6. Modify test order and pre-identification information to conform to current procedures
- 7. Modify Article 3 for the Designated Primary Language Test to conform to changes being made for the Designated and Standards-Based Achievement Tests

Fiscal Analysis (as appropriate)

None

Attachment(s)

- 1. Draft of Initial Statement of Reasons
- 2. Draft of Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
- 3. Proposed Text of Regulations

Initial Statement of Reasons

SECTION 850. DEFINITIONS

SECTION 852. PUPIL EXEMPTIONS SECTION 853. ADMINISTRATION

SECTION 853.5 USE OF VARIATIONS, ACCOMMODATIONS AND MODIFICATIONS

FOR THE STANDARDS-BASED ACHIEVEMENT TEST AND THE

CALIFORNIA ALTERNATE PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT

SECTION 859. STAR TEST SECURITY AGREEMENT AND SECURITY AFFIDAVIT

SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDED REGULATIONS

The proposed amendments are required for the state to meet requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act legislation and legislative changes in the California Education Code that became effective January 1, 2003.

NECESSITY/RATIONALE

The Legislature adopted amended legislation for the Standardized Testing and Reporting Program (Education Code sections 60640 (e) and (j)(3). Additionally, the California Department of Education entered into a Compliance Agreement with the United States Department of Education to meet specific requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. In addition to these, technical amendments are needed to strengthen security measures for the tests used within the Program.

Amended regulations are proposed to:

- Modify the definitions used for the Program to conform to changes made in the materials and terms used in the Program and to add additional terms that require definitions.
- Modify Pupil Exemptions to conform to new legislation.
- Enhance security for the Program by specifying who may administer the tests.
- Incorporate State Board of Education policy for out-of-level testing.
- Clarify testing variations, accommodations, and modifications that may be used on the tests and by which students.
- Add language to the STAR Test Security Agreement to enhance the security of the tests used in the Program.

TECHNICAL, THEORETICAL, AND/OR EMPIRICAL STUDY, REPORTS, OR DOCUMENTS.

The Board received information from the test contractor on appropriate test variations, accommodations, modifications, and out-of-level testing for various subgroups of students. The Board received no formal empirical study, report or documents related to the proposed amendments to enhance the test security. The need for the proposed amendments is based on a six-year history for the Program.

REASONABLE ALTERNATIVE TO THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS AND THE AGENCY'S REASONS FOR REJECTING THOSE ALTERNATIVES.

The proposed amendments could be handled through Board policy and contractor directions for administering the tests. However, doing so would leave some regulatory language in conflict with language in the California Education Code. This results in confusion for schools, districts, and county

offices of education in implementing the STAR Program. Schools, districts, and county offices of education also ask the California Department of Education to cite the specific regulations that cover the administration of the Program.

REASONABLE ALTERNATIVES TO THE PROPOSED REGULATORY ACTION THAT WOULD LESSEN ANY ADVERSE IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESS.

The State Board has not identified any alternatives that would lessen any adverse impact on small business.

EVIDENCE SUPPORT FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE ECONOMIC IMPACT ON ANY BUSINESS.

The proposed regulations would not have a significant adverse economic impact on any business because they only apply to Local Educational Agencies and their subgrantees.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA GRAY DAVIS, Governor

CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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TITLE 5. EDUCATION

CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

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	on (State Board) proposes to adopobjections, or recommendations re	pt the regulations described below after regarding the proposed action.	
PUBLIC HEARING			
1430 N Street, Room may present statements or a Informative Digest. The St orally notify the Regulation require, that persons who n	, Sacramento. The room is wharguments, orally or in writing, relate Board requests that any persons Adoption Coordinator of such in	p.m. on	on
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AUTHORITY AND REFERENCE

Authority: Sections 33031 and 60605, Education Code.

Reference: Sections 60615, 60640, 60642, and 60642.5, Education Code.

INFORMATIVE DIGEST/POLICY STATEMENT OVERVIEW

California Education Code section 60605(f) states, "The State Board of Education shall adopt regulations for the conduct and administration of the testing and assessment program." Section 60605(g) requires the State Board of Education to adopt a regulation for minimum-security procedures to ensure the security and integrity of test and assessment questions and materials.

The purpose of these amended regulations is to modify regulations previously adopted by the State Board of Education to:

- Modify the definitions used for the Program to conform to changes made in the materials and terms used in the Program and to add additional terms that require definitions.
- Modify Pupil Exemptions to conform to new legislation.
- Enhance security for the Program by specifying who may administer the tests.
- Incorporate State Board of Education policy for out-of-level testing.
- Clarify testing variations, accommodations, and modifications that may be used on the tests and by which students.
- Add language to the STAR Test Security Agreement to enhance the security of the tests used in the Program.

DISCLOSURES REGARDING THE PROPOSED ACTION

Mandate on local agencies and school districts: To be determined.

Cost or savings to any state agency: To be determined

Costs to any local agency or school district which must be reimbursed in accordance with Government Code section 17561: To be determined

Other non-discretionary cost or savings imposed on local educational agencies: To be determined

Cost or savings in federal funding to the state: To be determined

Significant, statewide adverse economic impact directly affecting business including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states: To be determined.

Cost impacts on a representative private person or businesses: The State Board is not aware of any cost impacts that a representative private person or business would necessarily incur in reasonable compliance with the proposed action.

Adoption of these regulations will not:

- (1) create or eliminate jobs within California;
- (2) create new businesses or eliminate existing businesses within California; or
- (3) affect the expansion of businesses currently doing business within California.

Significant effect or	housing costs:	To be determined
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Affect on small businesses: There is no affect on small businesses because

CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVES

In accordance with Government Code section 11346.5(a)(13), the State Board must determine that no reasonable alternative it considered or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of the State Board, would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed action. The State Board invites interested persons to present statements or arguments with respect to alternatives to the proposed regulations at the scheduled hearing or during the written comment period.

CONTACT PERSONS

Inquiries concerning the substance of the proposed regulations should be directed to:

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Requests for a copy of the proposed text of the regulations, the Initial Statement of Reasons, the modified text of the regulations, if any, or other technical information upon which the rulemaking is based or questions on the proposed administrative action may be directed to Debra Strain, Regulations Adoption Coordinator, or to the backup contact person, Najia Rosales, at (916) 319-0584.

<u>AVAILABILITY OF INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS AND TEXT OF PROPOSED</u> REGULATIONS

The Regulations Adoption Coordinator will have the entire rulemaking file available for inspection and copying throughout the rulemaking process at her office at the above address. As of the date this notice is published in the Notice Register, the rulemaking file consists of this notice, the proposed text of the regulations, and the initial statement of reasons. A copy may be obtained by contacting the Regulations Adoption Coordinator at the above address.

AVAILABILITY OF CHANGED OR MODIFIED TEXT

Following the public hearing and considering all timely and relevant comments received, the State Board may adopt the proposed regulations substantially as described in this notice. If the State Board makes modifications which are sufficiently related to the originally proposed text, the modified text (with changes clearly indicated) will be available to the public for at least 15 days before the State Board adopts the regulations as revised. Requests for copies of any modified regulations should be sent to the attention of the Regulations Adoption Coordinator at the address indicated above. The State Board will accept written comments on the modified regulations for 15 days after the date on which they are made available.

AVAILABILITY OF THE FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

Upon its completion, a copy of the Final Statement of Reasons may be obtained by contacting the Regulations Adoption Coordinator at the above address.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS ON THE INTERNET

Copies of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, the Initial Statement of Reasons, the text of the regulations in underline and strikeout, and the Final Statement of Reasons, can be accessed through the California Department of Education's website at http://www.cde.ca.gov/regulations.

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2	Title 5. EDUCATION
3	Division 1. State Department of Education
4	Chapter 2. Pupils
5	Subchapter 3.75. Standardized Testing and Reporting Program
6	Article 1. General
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8	Amend Sections 850, 852, and 853 to read:
9	§ 850. Definitions.
10	For the purposes of the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) program, the following terms shall
11	have the following meanings unless the context indicates otherwise:
12	(a) Designated achievement test" is the achievement test required by Education Code section 60640(b).
13	The designated achievement test includes test booklets, test answer documents, administration manuals, <u>and</u>
14	administrative materials, and practice tests. The designated achievement test is to be administered in the
15	areas of reading, spelling, written expression and mathematics for pupils in grades 2 to 8, inclusive; and in
16	the core curriculum areas of reading, writing, mathematics, history/social science and science for pupils in
17	grades 9 to 11, inclusive.
18	(b) "Primary language test" includes any test administered pursuant to Education Code section 60640(f)
19	or a test administered pursuant to the requirement of Education Code section 60640(g), as applicable, and
20	includes the test booklets, test answer documents, administration manuals, administrative materials and
21	practice tests.
22	(c) "School districts" includes school districts, county offices of education, and any charter school that
23	does not elect to be part of the school district or county office of education that granted the charter.
24	(d) "Eligible pupil" is any pupil in grades 2 to 11, inclusive, who is not otherwise exempted.
25	(e) "Department" means the California Department of Education.
26	(f)(1) "Standards-based achievement tests" are those tests that measure the degree to which pupils are
27	achieving the content standards and performance standards adopted by the State Board of Education as
28	provided in Education Code section 60642.5. The standards-based achievement tests include test booklets,
29	test answer documents, administration manuals, administrative materials, practice tests and other materials
30	developed and provided by the publisher of the tests.
31	(2) The term "standards-based achievement test" may refer to one or more of the individual achievement
32	tests in the subject of core curriculum areas required by Education Code section 60642.5, or all of the
33	standards-based achievement tests collectively.
34	(g) "Wave testing Administration Period" means one of multiple test administration periods by school
35	districts with schools or programs on non-traditional calendars that begin and complete the school year at

various times and have staggered vacation periods, in order to ensure that all pupils are tested at

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- 1 approximately the same point in the instructional year.
- 2 (h) "The California Alternate Performance Assessment" (CAPA) is an individually administered
- 3 performance assessment developed to assess students' achievement on a subset of California's Academic
- 4 Content Standards. It is administered to students receiving special education services who are significantly
- 5 <u>cognitively disabled. The CAPA includes administration manuals, administrative materials, and documents</u>
- 6 on which the examiner records the student's responses.
- 7 (i) "Out-of-level testing' means administering a test that is below the grade level of the pupil being 8 tested.
- 9 (j) "Scribe" is an employee of the school district, or a person assigned by a nonpublic school to
- implement a pupil's IEP and is required to transcribe a pupil's or adult student's responses to the format
- required by the examination. A family member or guardian is not eligible to be a scribe.
- 12 (k) "Accommodations" means any variation in the assessment environment or process that does not
- 13 <u>fundamentally alter what the test measures or affect the comparability of scores. Accommodations" may</u>
- include variations in scheduling, setting, aids, equipment, and presentation format.
- 15 (1) "Modification" means any variation in the assessment environment or process that fundamentally
- alters what the test measures or affects the comparability of scores.
- 17 (m) "Variation" is a change in the manner in which a test is presented or administered, or in how a test
- 18 <u>taker is allowed to respond, and includes, but is not limited to, accommodations and modifications as defined</u>
- in Education Code section 60850.
- 20 NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 33031 and 60605(g) and (h), Education Code. Reference: Sections 60615,
- 21 60640, 60642 and 60642.5, Education Code.
- 22 § **852. Pupil Exemptions.**
- 23 (a) A parent or guardian may submit to the school a written request to excuse his or her child from any
- or all parts of any test provided pursuant to Education Code section 60640. A school district and its
- 25 employees may discuss the Standardized Testing and Reporting program with parents and may inform
- parents of the availability of exemptions under Education Code section 60615. However, the school district
- 27 and its employees shall not solicit or encourage any written exemption request on behalf of any child or
- 28 group of children.
- 29 (b) Pupils in special education programs shall be tested with the designated achievement test and the
- standards-based achievement tests unless the individualized educational program for the pupil specifically
- 31 exempts the pupil from the Standardized Testing and Reporting program states that the pupil will be assessed
- 32 with the California Alternate Performance Assessment or (CAPA).
- NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 33031 and 60605(g) and (h), Education Code. Reference: Sections 60615
- and 60640, Education Code.
- 35 § 853. Administration.

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(a) The designated achievement test and the standards based achievement tests, which include all those

- 1 materials set forth in Section 850, shall be administered and returned by school districts in accordance with
- 2 the manuals or other instructions provided by the publishers contractor for administering and returning the
- 3 tests unless specifically provided otherwise in this subchapter <u>including instructions for administering the test</u>
- 4 <u>with variations, accommodations, and modifications</u>. The procedures shall include, but are not limited to,
- 5 those designed to insure the uniform and standard administration of the tests to pupils, the security and
- 6 integrity of the test content and test items, and the timely provision of all required student and school level
- 7 information.

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- (b) Except as provided in Subdivision (c), the reading section of any test shall not be read, interpreted, or translated to any pupil and no pupil may use a calculator while taking the designated achievement test or the
- 10 standards based achievement tests.
- 11 (b) The standards-based achievement tests and the California Alternate Performance Assessment shall be
- 12 <u>administered and returned by school districts in accordance with the manuals and other instructions provided</u>
- by the contractor, and in accordance with testing variations, accommodations, and modifications specified in
- Section 853.5. The procedures shall include, but are not limited to, those designed to insure the uniform and
- 15 standard administration of the tests to pupils, the security and integrity of the test content and test items, and
- the timely provision of all required student and school level information.
- 17 (c) Pupils in special education programs with individualized education programs delineating
- 18 accommodations such as, but not limited to, large print, Braille, extended time, or the use of a reader or
- scribe or a calculator; or pupils with current plans under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
- 20 specifying such accommodations shall be tested and the prescribed adaptations or accommodations shall be
- 21 made.
- 22 (c) Tests within the STAR Program are to be administered only by certificated staff members or other
- 23 district/county employees under the direct supervision of a certificated staff member. Direct supervision
- 24 means that the test administration is monitored by a certificated staff member who is available to respond to
- 25 questions that may arise during the administration of the test.
- 26 (d) English language learners enrolled in the school district for less than one year may be tested with
- 27 standard or nonstandard accommodations in accordance with the manuals or other instructions provided by
- 28 the test publisher. Nonstandard accommodations shall be utilized only if the school district has adopted a
- 29 policy to be applied at each school to identify those English learners enrolled in the school district for less
- 30 than one year for whom nonstandard accommodations may be appropriate due to the pupil's limited English
- 31 proficiency. Nonstandard accommodations may include, but are not limited to, reading and translating the
- 32 test instructions into the pupil's primary language and use of a bilingual dictionary.
- 33 (d) For the 2003-04 school year only, pupils with IEPs in grades 5 through 11 may be tested one or two
- 34 grades below their enrollment grade. The test level must be specified in the student's IEP. Out-of-level
- 35 <u>testing shall be used only if the student is not receiving grade-level instruction.</u> Students tested out-of-level
- 36 <u>must complete all tests required for the grade at which they are tested and shall be administered only one</u>

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- level of the tests. Out-of-level testing is not allowed for pupils in grades 2, 3, and 4. No out-of-level testing 1
- 2 shall be allowed at any grade beginning with the 2004-05 school year.
- 3 (e) Except for pupils in special education programs with individualized education programs and pupils
- 4 with section 504 plans or English language learners enrolled in the school district for less than one year, no
- 5 pupil shall be tested with accommodations or modifications.
- 6 NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 33031 and 60605(g) and (h), Education Code. Reference: Section 60640,
- 7 Education Code.

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- 9 Add new section 853.5 to read:
- 10 § 853.5 Use of Variations, Accommodations, and Modifications for the Standards-Based Achievement
- Test and the California Alternate Performance Assessment. 11
- 12 (a) School districts may provide all pupils the following testing variations if regularly used in the
- 13 classroom:
- (1) test directions that are simplified or clarified. 14
- (2) special or adaptive furniture. 15
- 16 (3) special lighting or acoustics.
- 17 (4) an individual carrel or study enclosure.
- 18 (5) test individually in a separate room provided that an employee of the school, district, or non-public
- school, who has signed the STAR Test Security Affidavit, directly supervises the pupil. 19
- 20 (6) markers, masks, or other means to maintain visual attention to the examination or test items.
- 21 (b) Eligible pupils with disabilities who have IEPs and students with Section 504 plans shall be permitted
- 22 to take the standards-based achievement tests with the following presentation, response or setting
- 23 accommodations if specified in the IEP or Section 504 plan:
- 24 (1) large print versions;
- 25 (2) test items enlarged through electronic means (e.g., photocopier).
- (3) Braille transcriptions provided by the test contractor. 26
- 27 (4) use of manually coded or American sign language to present directions for administration.
- (5) audio or oral presentation of the mathematics tests. 28
- 29 (6) use of manually coded or American sign language to present test questions on the mathematics tests.
- 30 (7) responses marked in test booklet and transferred to the answer document by a school or district
- employee who has signed the Test Security Affidavit. 31
- 32 (8) responses dictated to a scribe for selected-response items (e.g., multiple-choice test questions).
- (9) responses dictated to a scribe, audio recorder or speech to text converter on the grade 4 or grade 7 33
- writing application standards section of the California English-Language Arts Standards Test, and the pupil 34
- indicates all spelling and language conventions. 35
- 36 (10) use of word processing software with spell and grammar check tools turned off on the writing

- 1 portion of the grade 4 or 7 test.
- 2 (11) use of an assistive device that does not interfere with the independent work of the student on the
- 3 <u>writing portion of the test.</u>
- 4 (12) supervised breaks within a section of the test.
- 5 (13) administration of the test at the most beneficial time of day to the pupil.
- 6 (14) test administered by certificated teacher to a pupil or adult student at home or in the hospital.
- 7 (c) Eligible pupils with disabilities shall be permitted to take the standards-based tests with the following
- 8 modifications if specified in the eligible pupil's IEP:
- 9 (1) calculators on the mathematics or science tests.
- 10 (2) audio or oral presentation of the English-language arts tests.
- 11 (3) use of manually coded or American sign language to present test questions on the English-language 12 arts tests.
- (4) spellcheckers, grammar checkers, or word processing software programs that check or correct
 spelling and/or grammar on the writing portion of the grade 4 and 7 English-language arts tests.
- (5) mechanical or electronic devices or other assistive devices that are not used solely to record the
 pupil's responses, including but not limited to transcribers, scribes, voice recognition or voice to text
 software, and that identify a potential error in the pupil's response or that correct spelling, grammar or
 conventions on the writing portion of the grade 4 and 7 English-language arts tests.
- 19 (6) use of American sign language to provide a response to the written portion of the grade 4 and 7 20 English-language arts tests.
- 21 (7) English dictionary on the English-language arts test.
- 22 (8) mathematics dictionary on the mathematics section of the examination.
- (d) School districts shall provide English learner pupils the following additional testing variations if
 regularly used in the classroom or for assessment:
- 25 (1) Flexible setting. Tested in a separate room with other English learners provided that an employee of 26 the school, district, or non-public school, who has signed the Test Security Affidavit, directly supervises the 27 pupil and the pupil has been provided such a flexible setting.
- 28 (2) Flexible schedule. Additional supervised breaks following each section within a test part provided
 29 that the test section is completed within a testing day. A test section is identified by a "STOP" at the end of
 30 it.
- 31 (3) Translated directions. Hear any test directions the test examiner is to read aloud translated into their 32 primary language. English learners shall have the opportunity to ask clarifying questions about any test 33 directions presented orally in their primary language.
- (4) Glossaries. Access to glossaries/word lists for the standards-based achievement tests in mathematics,
 science, and history-social science if used regularly in the classroom (English to primary language). The
 glossaries/word lists are to include only the English word or phrase with the corresponding primary language

word or phrase. The glossaries/word lists shall include no definitions or formulas. 1 2 NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 33031 and 60605, Education Code, Reference: Section 60640, Education 3 Code. 4 5 Amend 859 to read: 6 §859. STAR Test Security Agreement and Test Security Affidavit. 7 (a) All STAR program district and test site coordinators shall sign the STAR Test Security Agreement 8 set forth in Subdivision (b) before receiving any STAR tests or test materials. 9 (b) The STAR Test Security Agreement shall be as follows: 10 STAR TEST SECURITY AGREEMENT 11 The coordinator acknowledges by his or her signature on this form that the designated achievement test 12 and the standards-based achievement tests are secure tests and agrees to each of the following conditions to 13 ensure test security. (1) The coordinator will take all necessary precautions to safeguard all tests and test materials by limiting 14 access to persons within the school district with a responsible, professional interest in the tests' security. 15 (2) The coordinator will keep on file the names of all persons having access to tests and test materials. 16 17 All persons having access to the materials shall be required by the coordinator to sign the STAR Test Security Affidavit that will be kept on file in the school district office. 18 19 (3) The coordinator will keep the tests and test materials in a secure, locked location limiting access to only those persons responsible for test security except on actual testing dates as provided in California Code 20 21 of Regulations, Title 5, Division 1, Chapter 2, Subchapter 3.75. (4) The coordinator will not copy any part of the test or test materials without written permission from 22 23 the Department to do so. 24 (5) The coordinator will not review test questions, develop any scoring keys or review or score any pupil responses except as required by the contractor's manuals. 25 26 By signing my name to this document, I am assuring that I and anyone having access to the test materials will abide by the above conditions. 27 28 By: 29 Title: School District: 30 31 Date: 32 (c) Each STAR test site coordinator shall deliver the tests and test materials only to those persons actually administering the designated achievement test and the standards-based achievement tests on the date 33

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forth in Subdivision (e).

of testing to persons trained to administer the test who have executed the STAR Test Security Affidavit set

- (d) All persons having access to the designated achievement test and test materials and to the standards-1 2 based achievement tests and test materials shall acknowledge the limited purpose of their access to the tests 3 by signing the STAR Test Security Affidavit set forth in Subdivision (e). 4 (e) The STAR Test Security Affidavit shall be as follows: 5 STAR TEST SECURITY AFFIDAVIT 6 I acknowledge that I will have access to the designated achievement test and to the standards-based 7 achievement tests for the purpose of administering the test(s). I understand that these materials are highly 8 secure, and it is my professional responsibility to protect their security as follows: 9 (1) I will not divulge the contents of the test to any other person through verbal, written, or any other 10 means of communication. 11 (2) I will not copy any part of the test(s) or test materials. 12 (3) I will keep the test(s) secure until the test(s) are actually distributed to pupils. (4) I will limit access to the test(s) and test materials by test examinees to the actual testing periods when 13 14 they are taking the test. 15 (5) I will collect and account for all materials following each period of testing and will not permit pupils 16 to remove test materials from the room where testing takes place. 17 (6) I will no disclose, or allow to be disclosed, the contents of, or the test instrument. I will not review 18 any test questions, passages, or other test items with pupils before, during, or following testing. 19 (7) I will not develop scoring keys or review or score any pupil responses except as required by the 20 publisher's administration manual(s) to prepare answer documents for machine or other scoring. 21 (8) I will return all test materials to the designated STAR test site coordinator daily upon completion of 22 testing. 23 (9) I will administer the test in accordance with the directions for test administration set forth in the 24 publisher's manual for test administration. Signed: 25 26 Print Name: Position: 27 28 School: 29 School District: 30 31 (f) To maintain the security of the program, all STAR program district coordinators and test site coordinators are responsible for inventory control and shall use appropriate inventory control forms to 32 33 monitor and track test inventory.
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Education Code.

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NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 33031 and 60605(g) and (h), Education Code. Reference: Section 60640,